(d) The promise has been kept up. Everything possible is being done to avoid delay in the publication of the Proceedings.

71. Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Will the Government kindly state:—

(a) the number and nature of all the instances wherein the Proceedings of a preceding Meeting could not be published fully in print before the following Meeting ever since—

(1) the Cochin Legislative Council was formed ;

(2) during the third Council ;

(b) what they have been doing to prevent the defect indicated by (a) ;

(c) what more they intend to do to avoid the delay?

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—(a) (1) Within the limited time available it is not possible to quote the instances, if any, in respect of the first and second Councils.

(2) A few of such instances during the life of the third Council are given below:—

Date of the Meeting.	*Date of the publication of the last day's Proceedings*
Vrischigam 1107	9—11—1107
Kumbham 1107	30—11—1107
Makaram 1109	24—10—1109
Kumbham 1109	30—11—1109
Meenam 1109	29— 1—1110

(b) Arrangements have been made to get ready the transcripts of the speeches within 24 hours from the time the speeches are delivered. These transcripts are also given to the Members within the said time for revision, but generally they are returned late. Two and sometimes even more reminders are sent to the Members requesting them to return their speeches revised. The Press Superintendent has been requested to attend to the printing work without causing any delay.

(c) All possible steps are being taken to expedite the printing of the Council Proceedings so as to render the official reports of a meeting available to the Members before the date of the following meeting.

Legislative Council questions—answering of.

72. Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—With reference to their "Yes" to the question "Is it not a fact that the major portion of the questions received has been answered in the Council" (vide Question 436, dated 28th March 1933), will the Government

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show how their answer under reference is consistent with the fact that there were as many as 89 unanswered questions against only 558 admitted ones in the Budget meeting of 1108 and state :—

(a) what they have done subsequently to get a larger number, if not all, of the admitted questions answered ;

(b) what they intend to do to improve the situation ?

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—Out of 560 questions admitted for the Budget Session of 1108, Government answered 469 leaving only 91 questions unanswered. Thus the major portion of the admitted questions was answered. The answer "Yes" given to the question is, therefore, correct.

(a) and (b) Every effort is being made to answer all the admitted questions.

Memorandum submitted by the Mulanthuruthy Rubber Planters' Association.

73. Mr. P. Raman Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to place on the Council Table the memorandum submitted by the Mulanthuruthy Rubber-Planters' Association dated 21st October 1934 ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—No memorandum dated 21st October 1934 has been received from the Mulanthuruthy Rubber Planters' Association.

Two petitions, one dated 5th Chingam 1110 and the other dated 21st September 1934 have, however, been received.

74. Mr. P. Raman Menon.—(a) Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) the reply given by the Government to the Memorial submitted by the Mulanthuruthy Rubber Planters' Association, dated 21st October 1934 ;

(b) the action taken by the Government with reference to the same ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) No reply has yet been given to the petitioners.

(b) Government had not to take separate action on their two petitions. The question raised by them had already attracted the attention of the Government.

License fees for tea shops and hotels.

75. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state :—

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